

SPEAKING IN THE DUST

that one lost his speaking
when the arrow pierced his throat
this happened many years ago

now he talks to us with a stick
he draws in the dust and sand
pictures of his wishes
pictures of what he has seen
where to find the buffalo

when he comes back from his scouting
we crowd around him to see
all the things that he has found.

THE TREE IS LIKE A BLANKET

as the plant grows
each new leaf explores
the sky to find a place
the sun lives and stops there
and holds its place
the next leaf then goes
to the left or the right
above or below
in the end in the summer
all leaves have their own places
all leaves have a same portion
of the light of the sun

see the tree is like a blanket
all the leaves fitting together

there is a lesson here for the people.

-- Norman H. Russell

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IT IS INTERESTING

most neanderthals
disbelieve evolution